

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: William E. Welnick et al. Examiner: Julie E. Stein  
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Title: **CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR ACQUIRING A MORE-PREFERRED SYSTEM  
IDENTIFIER (SID) ELEMENT**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 14, 2006, and the Advisory Action mailed January 30, 2007, Applicants submit a Request for Continued Examination, petition for a three month extension of time and submit the following preliminary amendment.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.